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FUNDS FOR TELECOM NETWORK IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated for development of telecommunications network in Orissa during the last three years;

(b) whether the development works have been completed as per the targets set in the State;

(c) if so, the expenditure incurred on the development works, work-wise during the last three years and till date; and

(d) the number of new telephone connections allotted in the State during the last three years and till date?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) The amount allocated for the development of telecommunication network in Orissa for the year 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 is 427.16, 232.14 and 180.51 crore respectively.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The expenditure incurred on the development works during the last three years i.e. 2001-02, 2002-03 and in current year (upto 31.12.2004) is 408.34, 361.06, 151.34 and 33.91 crore respectively.

(d) The number of new telephone connections provided in the State during the last three years i.e. 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 was 5,79,366 and that during 2004-05

(upto 31-01-2005 was 2,99,331 (this figure does not include number of mobile telephones added in 2004-05)